to constitute State Population Commission under the Chairmanship of chief Minister of respective State to review, monitor and give directions for the implementation of the State population Policy with a view to meeting the goals set out in the National Population Policy, 2000.

Increase in women cancer patients

4135. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of cancer patients particularly women is increasing in the country alarmingly;

(b) if so, the steps Government propose for prevention and early detection of cancer;

(c) the number of reported cancer patients in Karnataka for the past three years; and

(d) the amount released by Government for Karnataka for cancer medicine and treatment during the past three years alongwith details?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Time trend analysis of the data from population based cancer registries over the last decade shows a small increase in the overall incidence of cancer in the urban cancer registries, among both men and women.

(b) Under the National Cancer Control Programme this Ministry is implementing various schemes aimed at creating awareness among the people and also to facilitate treatment and research activities. The details of these schemes may kindly be seen in the statement I *(See* below).

(c) Annually about 35,000 persons develop cancer in Karnataka. At Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, a recognized Regional Cancer Centre of this Ministry, the new cases registered during the year 1999, 2000 & 2001 are 11,885, 12,326 & 13,500 respectively.

(d) details of amount released to the Institutions in the State of Karnataka under various Schemes of National Cancer Control Programme during the last three years are given in the statement II.

Statement-I

National Cancer Control Programme

Development of Oncology Wing

This scheme is available only for Government Medical Colleges to fill up the geographical gaps in the detection and treatment of cancer in the country; Financial assistance up to Rs. 2.00 crores can be provided to an Institute under the Scheme for purchase of listed equipments. This is one-time grant.

Setting up of Cobalt Therapy Unit

Financial assistance up to Rs. 1.50 crore is provided to State Government for setting up of Cobalt Therapy Unit in Government institutions. This is a one-time grant.

An amount of Rs. 1.00 crore is also provided for Cobalt Therapy Unit to the Non-Government Organisations on the specific recommendations of the state Government. This is a one-time grant.

Assistance for Mammography Unit

The Mammography equipment has also been included under the scheme for setting up of Cobalt Therapy Unit. A Central assistance up to Rs. 30.00 lakhs can be provided to those Institutions/Organisations who have the facilities for treatment of cancer patients and has well-equipped Radiotherapy Department. This is also a one-time grant.

District Cancer Control Programme

A scheme for district project (duration-five years) for health education, detection and pain relief measures under National Cancer Control Programme was initiated during the year 1990-91. In this scheme, financial assistance of Rs. 15.00 lakhs is provided to the State Government/UT administration for each district selected under the scheme with a provision of Rs. 10.00 lakhs per annum for each district for the remaining four years of the project period. After five years, the project is to be taken over by the State Government.

Voluntary Organisation Scheme

The scheme up to Rs. 5.00 lakhs is provided to the Voluntary Organisations for undertaking health education and early detection activities in cancer on the specific recommendations of the State Government.

Regional Cancer Centres

This Ministry has recognised 19 Regional Cancer Centres in different States/UTs and an amount of 75.00 lakhs annually is provided for procurement of equipment for development of the Institution. These RCCs extend treatment facilities and conduct research in the field of Cancer.

Statement-II

Details of Grant-in-Aid Provided to Various Institutions in the State of Karnataka During the Last three years

1999-2000	Amount in Lakhs
1. Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore	75.00
2. Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore	100.00
2000-2001	Amount in Lakhs
1. Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore	75.00
2. Bangalore Medical College and Victoria Hospital, Bangalore.	200.00
2001-2002	Amount in Lakhs
1. Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore	75.00
2. Devraj Urs Educational Trust, Kolar, Bangalore	100.00
3. Bapuji Cancer Hospital Trust, Devangare	100.00

Aids infected Persons

4136. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons infected by the deadly AIDS virus in the country for the past three years, State-wise;

(b) the details of AIDS affected due to illegal blood-transfusion; and

(c) the details of AIDS affected persons in the country due to unsafe sex for the past three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) The estimated number of HIV infected in persons the country for the past three years is as below: